

CO-OPERATIVE FEDERATION OF VICTORIA

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD AT

49 a'BECKETT STREET, MELBOURNE ON 3rd. MAY, 1971

at 7.30 p.m.

**PRESENT -** Mr. Mason (Chairman), Messrs. Hamilton, Long, Lugg, Rundle and Schultz.

**APOLOGIES -** Apologies were received from Messrs. Kettle, Lyons, Macintosh and McMaster.

**MINUTES -** The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed.

**REPORTS -** Co-operative Digest

It was reported that work was continuing to bring out the first Co-operative Digest at the end of June.

Slides and Commentary

It was reported that Mr. Mactinsoh has made contact with various sources in America to determine the availability of suitable slides and commentary.

Policy Statement

As this was in the hands of Mr. Kettle who was absent, it was agreed that the matter be deferred to the next meeting.

I.C.A. Meeting

Advice was received from the Registrar of Co-operatives that the Governor of Victoria would be prepared to open this function. It was agreed that at the next meeting a list of invitees including the Co-operative Advisory Committee should be prepared for the opening meeting and for the reception.

Advisory Council

It was reported that this body had met on two occasions since the last meeting of the Federation and had continued its study of the necessary amendments to the Co-operation Act.

**CORRESPONDENCE -**

The following matters arose from the correspondence received.

1. A request from the C.F.A. for assistance in a study tour arranged for the Registrar of Co-operatives from West Pakistan. It was agreed to check with the Registrar of Co-operatives and the Credit Co-operative Association of Victoria to determine whether they would assist. If they were agreeable it was decided to advise that we would be able to arrange a study programme for this visit.
2. A discussion took place on the matter of a suitable location for the 1971 Council meeting of the Co-operative Federation of Australia to be held in Melbourne in September, 1971. Mr. Rundle agreed to investigate the arrangements made for the previous Council meeting which was held in Melbourne some years ago.
3. It was agreed to write to the Co-operative Federation of Australia to determine whether any recent work has been done by them on the question of Taxation and whether there is at present any considerations before them.
4. It was decided to circulate to Council members copies of a questionnaire on the proposed Asian Co-operative Development Bank.

**GENERAL BUSINESS -**

Newsletter: It was agreed that a newsletter be prepared and sent regularly to the Directors of existing organizations within the Federation. It was agreed to ask Mr. Ian Larsson to prepare a suitable header sheet for the Newsletter.

Research and Development: It was decided that Mr. Long and Mr. Maybury should prepare for the next meeting a submission indicating

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what useful information could be obtained from a survey of the Annual Reports of various C -operatives. This to be a preliminary step in the preparation of a plan to employ a commerce student for two weeks in September to research documents at the Registry.

Membership: It was agreed that contact be made with the Victorian Artificial Breeders' Association to determine whether they would be prepared to join the Federation.

CLOSE -

The meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.

*John Meenan*

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